

Parks and Recreation Covid 19 Facility and Amenity Re-Opening Plan May 14, 2020-Revised



Background

- Board presented re-opening plan on April 23, and April 30, 2020
- Updated Executive Order May 5, 2020
- Updates will be developed when Executive Orders (this/next week) are revised and/or changes are made to CDC and industry recommendations



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Background

May 5- Governor Abbott Executive Order

- Outdoor Sports- *“no more than **four participants** play the sport at any time.”*
- Parks/Beaches/Bodies of Water - *“Group may not exceed the greater of the individual’s household or up to **5 individuals**”*
- *“People shall avoid visitingwater parks, or splash pads”*
- *“Local government operations,.....may reopen as determined by the local government.”*



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Background

May 5- Governor Abbott Executive Order

- *“Friday, May 8, 2020- Swimming pools; provided, however, that (ii) outdoor swimming pools may operate at up to 25 percent of normal operating limits as determined by the pool operator; and (iii) local public swimming pools may so operate only if permitted by the local government.*
- *“Monday, May 18, 2020:- Gyms and exercise facilities and classes that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the gym or exercise facility; provided, however, that locker rooms and shower facilities must remain closed, but restrooms may open.”*



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Plan based on:

- Level of person to person contact (sports vs leisure/learning activity)
- People required for activity (individual vs team/group)
- Potential for groups/crowds (spectators)



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Background

Plan based on standards/protocols from:

- Governor Abbott's Plan
- Centers for Disease Control
- National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA)
- American Camp Association
- Texas Recreation and Parks Society (TRAPS)
- Various aquatic organizations
- Dallas and Gulf Coast Parks and Recreation Directors Association
- US Soccer, US Lacrosse, US Rugby, US Rowing, etc.



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Phase I

- Currently open-
 - Parks (with limitations)
 - Northshore Park
 - Lake Woodlands/Lake Paloma
 - Pathways/Trails
 - Tennis Courts (with modifications)
 - Restrooms
 - Community Garden- (restricted access)
 - Boat House (modified operations)



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Revised Phase I

- Recommend to open
 - Rob Fleming Park (*not including Aquatic Center/Recreation Center*)
 - Town Green Park
 - Tennis Courts (all nets); court reservations, limited programming
 - Basketball Courts (1 rim per court)
 - Bear Branch Disc Golf/Community Garden (parking restrictions)
 - Alden Bridge Community Garden (modified schedule- 5 days per week)
 - Requires 2-3 days to implement



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Revised Phase I

- Recommended to remain closed
 - Sports Complexes
 - *Dog Parks*
 - *Playgrounds*
 - Volleyball Courts
 - Bear Branch Skate Park
 - Spraygrounds
 - Facility Reservations
 - Special Event Permits



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Revised Phase I

- Playgrounds/Dog Parks
 - CDC recommendations-closed
 - Next CDC update unknown
 - NRPA Survey-Closed, 75% Playgrounds, 54% Dog Parks
 - Resident input mixed
 - Options
 - Open with signs encouraging social distancing/use at own risk
 - Research protocols for the opening at a later date
 - Options are not mutually inclusive (dog parks/playgrounds)



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Future Phase(s)

- Open remaining amenities when Governor provides direction on group size, outdoor sport usage
 - Sports complexes,
 - Bear Branch Skate Park,
 - Volleyball
 - Basketball (remaining goals)



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Future Phases-

- Recreation Centers
 - Building capacity (25%)
 - Limit operational hours (8am-6pm)
 - Fitness areas (5 people/reservations) gloves/social distancing
 - Ramp up “classes” (indoor/outdoor); five (5) or less
 - Sunny Dayz Camp(seasonal staff)-June (*Awaiting Governors Guidelines*)
 - Program prioritization
 - Township Staffed Programs, i.e. Sunny Dayz camp
 - Contractor Programs
 - 3rd Party Rentals
 - Implementation
 - Building 2-3 days
 - Contracted Programs- 1-2 weeks
 - Staff Programs (3 weeks est.)



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Future Phases-

- Recommendations
 - Texas TreeVentures (closed)
 - Onboarding/training staff
 - Anticipated opening in Phase 2,
 - Pools
 - Contracted Lap Lane (5/18)
 - Swim Lessons/Classes- (6/1 est.)
 - Pending final training
 - Limit group lessons to non public time, except privates



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Future Phases-

- Open Swim-
 - 25% Bather Load Capacity
 - Open-3+ Weeks after decision
 - 6 initial pools (approx. 110 staff trained), 12 pm-6 pm, in-service day
 - Train additional staff,
 - Back up staff for initial pools
- Additional pools, if desired/budget impact
- Enhanced cleaning protocols
- Pool rentals/day cares, pending group size limitations
- Fee Structure
 - Pool passes?
 - Daily passes only?

		Village	Geographic Location	Main Touch Points	Lap Lanes	# of staff per shift	# staff for facility with Initial Board approved schedule	# staff for facility 12-6 pm
Priority								
1	Alden Bridge	AB	North West	Water Slide	5	6	18	15
1	Sawmill	GM	Southeast	Diving Board/Rock Wall	6	7	19	16
1	Creekwood	PC	Central	Diving Board/Theme Slide	6	6	18	15
1	Forestgate	IS	West-Central	Slide	6	7	22	17
1	Bear Branch	CC	Central	Play Structure	4	8	26	19
1	Wendtwoods	CSP	South West	Play Structure	2	10	34	22
						44	137	104
2	Harpers	CP	North East	Splash Pad	3	6	18	15
3	Cranebrook	SR	West	Play Structure	2	10	34	22
4	Windvale	AB	North	Play Structure	3	6	18	15
5	Ridgewood	PC	Central	Diving Board/Splash Pad	5	6	18	15
6	Falconwing	IS	Central	Diving Board/Slide	2	6	18	15
7	Shadowbend	CC	Central	Slides	5	6	16	14
8	Lakeside	AB	Central-West	Slide	6	6	18	15
9	Rob Fleming	CSP	South	Play Structure	3	24	75	60
					Total	114	352	275

Future Phases-

- Riva Row Boat House
 - Phase 2- Reservations from 4 to 8, every 10 minutes
- Texas TreeVentures
 - Phase 2- 50% capacity (35 users) one person/every other element
 - Reservation system
 - Implement enhanced cleaning protocols
 - Implementation- Time required for staff training/marketing
 - Projected June 6
 - Part time/seasonal staff



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Future Phases-

Recreation Centers (Phase 2)

- Building capacity not to exceed 50%
- Limited operational hours (8am-6pm)
- Fitness areas (per Texas Guidelines)
- Ramp up “classes” (indoor/outdoor); 10 or less
- In building staffing (50%)
- Continued Program prioritization

Park/Facility Rentals; in compliance with Governors Order (Phase 2)

Environmental Services Programs (Phase II)



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Future Phases-

Pools (Phase 2)-

- 50% Capacity-Bather Load
- Additional pools-pending guard training
- Programs
 - Swim Lessons
 - Stroke Training
 - Other programs, per use levels



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Pending Phases

- Rob Fleming Aquatic Center
- Spraygrounds
- Lakes Edge Boat House
- Special Events and Permits
 - 4th of July Fireworks, alternate concept to be presented May 21



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Approved Recommendations

Authorized/Accepted the following:

- The overall concept of the phased plan to re-open parks and recreation amenities
- Open amenities identified in Revised Phase I
- Open pools to contracted lap lane users
- Open dog parks with enhanced signage
- Finalize a plan to open a reduced number of pools with a modified schedule and fee pass program
- Review and develop options to open playgrounds and sportsfields.
- Authorize the President/General Manager to modify (open/close) the amenity infrastructure, as needed, to comply with the Governor's Executive Orders, social distancing requirements, and/or industry recommendations



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